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May 1, 2009

TO:

Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman

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FROM:

William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT PROGRAM MATRIX AND FRAUD PREVENTION MEASURES - REQUEST FOR 30 DAY EXTENSION

On April 7, 2009, on motion by Supervisor Molina, as amended by Supervisor Antonovich, your Board directed the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to utilize American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding to meet the immediate housing needs of those most severely impacted by the recession, and ensure that the funds are utilized in a way that will assist the qualifying individuals at or below 50% of Area Median Income. Additionally, your Board further instructed the CEO to create a comprehensive matrix that identifies the full menu of ARRA services available, lists the projected outcomes for each ARRA target population and to develop a specific plan for data tracking to prevent or reduce fraud. This Office issued a response under separate cover to your request on April 28, 2009 on the County's Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing effort.

CEO staff is diligently working with staff from the Department of Public Social Services, the Department of Consumer Affairs, the Community Development Commission/Housing Authority as well as others, to obtain information for the service matrix and fraud prevention components requested in the motion. To date, much work has been completed on drafting a menu of ARRA services as well as developing strategies for combating fraud and abuse of ARRA funding, but more effort is needed to research each and to prepare a comprehensive response to your request. Therefore, an extension of 30 days is requested to finalize our research and complete the recommendations to your Board.

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If you have any questions, or require further information on this matter, please contact Ellen Sandt, Deputy Chief Executive Officer at (213) 974-1186 or by email at esandt@ceo.lacountv.qov.

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